The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro:——" If the strength of the school is 120 and if there is a demand for it, certainly the question will be examined further."

Mr. Muhammad Ghouse Mian Sahib :—" Are not Government in possession of some information collected by the District Superintendent of Police at the instance of the District Collector?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" No information is available."

Mr. Muhammad Ghouse Mian Sahib:—"Will Government be pleased to at least call for a report from the District Collector or the District Super-intendent of Police?"

Elementary training schools for Muhammadans in the Presidency.

- * 389 Q.—Mr. Muhammad Ghouse Mian Sahib: Will the hon, the Minister for Education be pleased to state—
- (a) the number of elementary training schools for Muhammadans in this Presidency and the places where they are located;
- (b) the number of such institutions in this Presidency for the Hindus; (c) whether there is any such institution for the Muhammadans of the southern districts similar to those existing in other parts of this Presidency; and
- (d) if not, whether the Government have any intention of opening one for Muhammadans for the southern parts of this Presidency?
 - A.—(a), (b) & (c) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to supplemental statistics Nos. 47 and 48 appended to Volume II of the Report on Public Instruction in the Madras Presidency for the year 1923-24.
 - (d) The Government have not yet considered the matter.

Schemes for opening new Muhammadan schools.

* 390 Q.—Mr. MUHAMMAD GHOUSE MIAN SAHIB: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is not part of the duty of the deputy inspectors of Muhammadan ranges to suggest schemes for the opening of new Muhammadan schools within their jurisdiction; and

(b) if so, whether the Council will be furnished with a list of cases in which such proposals have been sent stating by whom they have been sent and what they are?

- A.—(a) It is open to the deputy inspectors of schools, Muhammadan ranges, to suggest schemes to local bodies for opening new Muhammadan schools.
 - (b) The Government have no information.

Proposals for opening new Muhammadan elementary schools.

* 391 Q.—Mr. Muhammad Ghouse Mian Sahib: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the District Educational Officers have sent in their report on the proceedings of the Director of Public